

ROBERT LUCAS.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 240.]

MARCH 5, 1840.

Mr. C. MORRIS, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT :

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Robert Lucas, report :

That, according to the statement of the petitioner, he was called into the service of his country in the year 1814, at the time the British were in the Chesapeake, and an attack was expected at Baltimore ; that he was placed under the command of Captain John Brown, in General Stanbury's brigade of Maryland militia ; that after remaining at Baltimore a few days, he was marched towards the city of Washington, for the defence of that place ; that a battle took place at Bladensburg, in which he took part, and during which he received a wound in his left leg from a *splinter* or *snag* ; and that, in consequence of such wound, he is now totally unable to labor for his support.

The facts set forth are sworn to by the petitioner ; and John Allen states, on oath, that he was present at the time the wound was received, and that it occurred in the *battle of Bladensburg*. Doctors Elisha B. Payne and Nathan Brown testify to the existence of the wound, and the total disability created by it.

The characters of Robert Lucas and John Allen, for truth and veracity, are supported by sufficient evidence on oath ; and, therefore, there can be no reason to doubt the facts stated by them.

Upon the whole of the case, the committee are of opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief ; and, therefore, they report a bill.

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